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SEN. MORGAN'S GREAT SPEECH.

In Which, as a Democrat, He Emphasizes the Truth of What Populists Have Taught.

SOME STRONG EXTRACTS.

Showing Rascality of National Legislation—And How the Lawmakers of the People Showed More Loyalty to a Foreign Government Than to a Home Republic.

Last week we referred to the speech of Senator Morgan made at Griffin, Ga. Extracts are presented this week. They are interesting in that they carry the same criticisms and condemnation of national policy that have been made by Populists for the last four years. Coming now from a Democrat of prominence, they serve to emphasize the truth of what the Populists have said. The criticisms and condemnations apply with equal force to both the Republican and Democratic parties, for, let it be remembered, the Democrats have been given the power to correct the evils complained of, and they pointedly refused to do it. What a great pity it is that some people still think the Democrats will do it!

A very strong portion of the speech was a quotation from ex-Attorney-General Garland—a member of Cleveland's first cabinet—as follows:

"Is it fair to degrade, demonetize silver, and then complain that it is of little value? This, with all due respect to everybody, is bordering on the 'vulgar legerdemain of sophistry.' It is taking advantage of one's own wrong. It is a complaint that one cannot see, after himself stirring up a dust. It is the logic the wolf uses against the lamb. It is to allege the source of the stream has been befouled and poisoned by its mouth—the effect is put before the cause, and indeed 'it is to vindicate oppression by pointing to the deprivation which oppression has produced.' This mode of argument lacks that element without which no human speech or conduct is of value or entitled to one moment's respect—fairness. This absent, and the words are meaningless and empty And the cause driven to this kind of assertion must, in the nature of things, be helpless, whatever of intellect or high patriotic purposes may come to its support. The friends of silver need not dread or fear such weapons, they can meet them successfully, I am confident, on all parts of the ground, and gird themselves on put on their armour and gird themselves for the struggle until it is completed to a finish.

"And now and here, just as soon as possible, this controversy should be settled—no more evasion—no more straddling—no more postponing. The country and the business of the country, regardless of personal or party ambition or ouccess, want it settled and they are entitled to have it settled as quickly as can be. Let business and the laws know and understand each other, and adjust themselves accordingly, for not till then will the country be prosperous and at ease again.

"We of the United States, of all the people on the earth, by this time ought to know, and I think we do know, the great unwisdom of tampering with and dodging questions vital to the country. This delayed, much more, and sickness, prostration, paralysis and death are near at hand. And much will, I venture to say, depend upon the action of this convention; and with a heart full of wishes for its complete success, it will, I hope, come manfully and squarely to the work and announce its views in no uncertain terms."

OUR SUPPOSED PROSPERITY

seems to be chiefly based on borrowed money. The $160,000,000 borrowed on our bonds will not last long when the current deficit in the treasury is $1,000,000 daily.

The silver section of the Sherman act of 1890 was repealed July 14, 1893. The restoration of confidence was withheld until the spring of 1895, when it began to bud. Two cotton crops and two wheat crops and millions of our silver had been bought at London prices—the lowest on record. We had become so depressed with the vast abundance of our crops that the great majority of Democrats in the house voted for a general law of bankruptcy. It came to the senate, and we insisted that if the banks would unlock their vaults and make money easy, there would be no need of a bankrupt law. We preferred to put a silver key into the hands of the people that would unlock the banks if they still refused to show their confidence in the laboring people, and held their money for the gamblers in bonds and stocks and food.

A TUB TO THE WHALE.

The banks saw the handwriting on the wall, and it was interpreted to them by the attitude of the senate and in many great conventions of the people, like this grand demonstration; they opened up their discount desks and money became easier. This was delayed, however, until our last crops of wheat and cotton had gone into the ownership of the speculators, who made more than 2 cents a pound profit on our cotton, and more than 20 cents a bushel on wheat.

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The restoration of confidence through the repeal of the silver clause in the Sherman law had proved to be a dream of disappointment, and the certificates issued under it were converted into gold obligations by the fatal option of the secretary of the treasury: These alone required $160,000,000 of gold coin for their redemption. They were gathered up and presented for redemption. Bonds were issued in a year and a half to the amount of $160,000,000 to balance the equation, and this is the real offspring, the legitimate fruit of amending the Sherman law, under the pretense of repealing the "cowardly makeshift."

If cause and effect have any logical relation, the tinkering with the Sherman law and the refusal of the government to furnish the people with means to enable them to delay the sale of crops at gold prices was the real cause of the issue of $160,000,000 of bonds.

I do not take any pride in the travels of $30,000,000 of these bonds to London, in the keeping of our assistant secretary of the treasury to be signed there and delivered to the Rothschilds, and I see no profit in selling them at 104½ when they were worth 120; but I charge no evil intent upon any one for making this child's bargain. Its absurdity is a strong plea for its innocence.

THE RIGHT TO COIN MONEY.

This is the essential value of that reserved right, and it could only be an act of gross tyranny to abridge the right or to destroy it. The same rights are due the owners of silver bullion as they are to the owners of gold bullion as "rights reserved to the people" under the constitution.

What did our fathers do with this inherited right? Did they destroy it, or did they preserve it? The answer is, that owing to its importance it was protected and enforced by special provisions in that instrument, as was the case, also, of the writ of habeas corpus, the right, of trial by jury and the right of free worship and other rights.

The special provision so made was the mandatory power given to congress to coin money and regulate the value thereof. At that time

GOLD AND SILVER COINS

were both included in the meaning of the word money and the power to coin money was not intended to refuse coinage to either gold or silver, but to preserve this great right of the people as it then existed. The constitution destroyed none of the rights that were comprised in the liberties of the Britons. But, as I have already pointed out, the vital element of the coins consists in their compulsory legal tender power. This is expressly preserved in the constitution in this language, found in article 1, section 10. "No state shall * * * make anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts." Here the coins of gold and silver that congress is empowered to make under article 1, section 8, are described as legal tender money.

If congress, therefore, provides for the coinage of any legal tender money it cannot coin silver to the exclusion of gold, or gold to the exclusion of silver

WITHOUT VIOLATING A PLAIN INJUNCTION

of the constitution. I do not deny that congress can do such a thing, but I do say that it may as well refuse to provide, by law, for the issue of writs of habeas corpus or for trial by jury.

And for the same reason, the refusal of free coinage to the holders of gold, while giving it to the holders of silver, would be an abuse of power that can find no justification.

In providing a supply of legal tender money for the people of this free republic, it was the intention of the founders of the government that it should not be limited to one metal, but should include the free coinage of both metals.

This is the claim I set up to the privileges of the constitution in favor of the people, which embodied and enforced in our first coinage law, approved by George Washington, in 1792. I am not willing to surrender it on the command of John Sherman or even of Grover Cleveland.

MONEY'S ONLY POWER.

The only actual power money has is the power to pay a debt.

A contract is complete when the parties express their assent to its terms. If it is a contract to pay money, the amount of legal tender money will pay it, that is stated in the agreement, and the debtor can compel the creditor to accept it. If he refuses, the court will ascertain the amount that is due him, in dollars and will satisfy the judgment, so that he can take the money so tendered, or go away empty, as he may choose.

No greater liberty, and none more just exists, than the right of the debtor to compel the creditor to take legal tender payment of any debt, demand or obligation he is bound to discharge.

In all civilized, free countries, where personal liberty is at all valued, the laws protect the debtor from the natural rapacity of the creditor.

The divine law takes up this subject and makes respect for this protection a personal duty of religion.

The jubilee was established by Moses to prevent Jewish creditors from oppressing their brethren It was a statute of limitation upon all indebtedness; it gave the right of redemption by the mortgagor of lands, and restored bondsmen who had been sold for debt, to their liberty. To these statutes we have added large exemptions of property from sale under execution, and have abolished imprisonment for debt. We punish usury with heavy forfeitures, and are frequently resorting to the laws of bankruptcy to extinguish all the indebtedness of unfortunate men. In this way at least we qualify ourselves to repeat with sincerity the Lord's prayer, "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." Georgia was the first asylum for imprisoned debtors. Oglethorpe opened the prison doors of England and brought the poor debtors to his colony at Savanah. Oglethorpe was the Moses and Georgia was the "promised land" of the creditor's bondsmen.

I believe in maintaining the security of the debts and the inviolability of contracts, and that they should be paid in one common legal tender money, which the debtor is bound to pay, and the creditor is equally bound to accept If the bond or treasury note of the United

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THE UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL

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Special Cor. the Caucasian.]

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., July 27.—Chapel Hill is one of the prettiest places in North Carolina. It is not only pretty but it is one of the most interesting and instructive.

The summer law school is in progress and a large class of young men are here taking the course under Dr. Manning and Judge Shepherd. These two scholarly and accomplished lawyers are making it the finest law school in the south. If the students who are here now do not rise rapidly in their profession it will be their own fault. The kind of instruction and training given here would make a good lawyer out of any man who had fair ability and industry.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS.

The summer school for teachers, which has been in session here since June 25th and which adjourned to-day, has been a great success. This summer school is something that has long been needed in our State. It is not like the Teachers' Assembly or the old summer normal school, and it is even much better than county institutes under the old system. It has not been a frolic, but it has been genuinely earnest, and every teacher will go back next fall to his or her post to teach the boys and girls of our State better equipped for their important work. A teacher who does not meet with other teachers, and not only exchange ideas with other teachers, but also does advanced work and get increased information each year soon becomes unfit to teach. Every man in every profession either goes forward or goes backward. There is no such thing as standing still in this world. The establishment of this University summer school is very timely and means a great deal for the teachers and the whole public school system of our State. It was started last year and had seventy-five teachers in attendance. This year the number is doubled, and next year it will be doubled again, for every teacher goes away delighted. When the teachers of the State learn what a feast is here in store for them every summer there will be over 500 hundred public school teachers here every year.

Too much can not be said in commendation of E. A. Alderman Professor of the Pedagogical Department of the State University, and Dr. Winston, the able and energetic President for starting and conducting this annual gathering.

This summer school, which is a University extension, has not only a Pedagogical, but also an Academic department in which advanced studies may be persued. Thirty-one courses of study have been taught this summer by a very competent corps of nineteen instructors. These included not only some of the Professors of the State University, but also such men as Prof. Noble, Superintendent of the public schools of Charlotte, and Prof. Howell, Superintendent of the public schools of Raleigh. Miss Coffin, assistant Superintendent of the Detroit public schools, who has done institute work in a dozen States, and who was one of the teachers in this summer school (and the only teacher from outside of the State) says that she has never seen any school for teachers anywhere to equal this one.

Among the members of this school were to be found all grades of teachers from the college professor to the teacher of the district school. Every one was delighted and instructed in the rare and valuable instruction which Prof. Holmes, the State Geologist, gave about the geology and resources of our own State. Prof. Holmes is a most progressive and practical man, and we trust that our State may not lose his valuable services.

Every teacher attending the school did special class work during the day, and nearly every night there was a popular lecture in the chapel on some live and interesting subject that was worth riding ten miles to hear.

The school has been characterized by studiousness and earnestness never before seen at any gathering of our teachers. Members might be found, when not on classes, in the library preparing for recitations or availing themselves of the great University library of over 40,000 volumes. The summer work which the University is doing for the benefit of our public school teachers, both men and women, is making it more and more an institution of the people and for the people.

Always a Humbug.

New York Advertiser.]

A Democratic newspaper calls attention to the fact that the order promulgated by the Administration directing postmasters throughout the United States to use their official positions as a means of distributing Secretary Carlisle's financial addresses, is clearly in violation of civil service regulations. This will not surprise anybody. Mr. Cleveland's proclamation, warning Federal office holders that they must not express opinions at variance with the position of the Administration on public questions was not intended to deter these functionaries from exerting themselves in the dissemination of opinions which had received the stamp of the President's august approval. In the estimation of the present occupant of the White House activity in preaching politics on the part of office holders becomes pernicious only when it lacks the Executive sanction. When that sanction has been given it becomes not merely commendable, but an imperative duty.

What a tremendous humbug the Cleveland Administration is, anyhow!

One jolly editor in Alabama, who has charge of The Bessemer Weekly, treats the proposition of the Wall street agency as a joke. It says the stuff the reform club is sending out will never convert anybody to goldbugism, and this is true, for it is made up of the plainest of lies. But it is worthy of note that The Bessemer Weekly is too honest to sell its columns to Wall street.—Atlanta Constitution.

BLACKSTONE NOT ELIMINATED.

The News and Observer has Made an Incorrect and Very Misleading Impression About The Matter—Blackstone is in the Course and Taught as Before.

The following letter will explain itself:

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., July 26th 1895.
EDITOR CAUCASIAN:

I noticed some weeks since that the News and Observer said that "Blackstone had been eliminated from the law course of study." Will you please let me know if this is so, and if it is so what has been put in its place and what books must I get? I am thinking of commencing the study of law soon. Yours very truly,

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The statement published by the News and Observer was so misleading and created such an erroneous impression that we have decided to answer the above letter in the columns of The CAUCASIAN,

The simple fact is, the Supreme court has not "eliminated" Blackstone from the law course, but it expressly requires Ewell's Edition of Blackstone to be studied. No State nor law school as far as we know requires Blackstone's Commentaries just as he published it to be studied, but they all require some noted lawyer's edition of Blackstone to be studied. Some States prescribe Chitty's edition, some Sharwood's edition, some Ewell's edition etc. Ewell's edition of Blackstone (which has been adopted by our Supreme court) contains all the essential points of the original text and so much of the history of the laws as is necessary to give the student an intelligent understanding of the evolution and growth of our present system of jurisprudence.

It is not only very convenient for the student, but also for the Professor of law, who is of course expected to supplement it (as they do in teaching any other edition) by lectures connecting the old law with the new, and illustrating its principles by leading cases decided by the Supreme court of this State and other jurisdictions.

If we remember correctly the News and Observer, in its article, referred to the *Statute quia Emptores* and *Statute de donis* (3rd and 2nd Westminster) as "immaterial timber" and said that they were no longer considered in the study of the law. This is entirely wrong. In the first place these two statutes are very important to every student who wants to know the science of the law. They mark two great fundamental changes in reference to the holding of real property—while the statutes are obsolete, yet every good lawyer should be familiar with this important history of the development of the law. In the second place the effect of these statutes is discussed and properly so in Ewell's edition of Blackstone.

We are informed by prominent members of the legal profession that a large part of the principles of the law as laid down by Blackstone is still law and that all of the remainder of the work is very valuable and instructive as history, in short there is very little of it obsolete.

To try to study law, without studying some reliable edition of Blackstone would be like "the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out."

The article in the News and Observer would and to some extent has, created the impression that the standard of the legal profession has been lowered in North Carolina. It is due the State as well as our Supreme court that this false impression be speedily corrected, and we take pleasure in doing so, and trust that the press of the State (including the News ank Observer) will join us in putting this matter right.

"A MASTERLY SPEECH."

A Kentucky View of Senator Butler And His Speech.

The Kentucky Populist, the leading Populist paper in Kentucky, in its report of the recent People's Party State convention says:

"SENATOR BUTLER'S SPEECH.

The delegates reassembled at Library Hall at eight o'clock p. m. to listen to Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina.

He delivered a masterly speech, more directly aimed at the Populist than others. He counseled conservative action, and plead for a union of all forces. He is certainly a master of irony and sarcasm, and delighted his hearers with the neat manner in which he lifted the hide off the Louisville papers. He said that large cities were the hot beds of gold bugs and anarchists. He also paid his respects to Wat Hardin, to whom he invaribly referred as "Pat" Hardin, each time begging the Irishman's pardon. Senator Butler said he had in mind two great Kentuckians—Henry Clay, the mill-boy of the Slashes, who would rather have been right than to have been President; and another Kentuckian, Mr. Hardin, who from his recent actions, had rather be Governor than be right.

Senator Butler was a conspicuous figure at our convention. The Populists feel proud of the young North Carolinian, who planned such a masterly fight that he took his State away from the Democratic party before the enemy had dreamed of danger. The whole nation expects to hear from Senator Butler when Congress meets. He is made of the kind of metal that heroes are made of."

If the farmers of Texas have any get up and fight about them, they will all throw their coats when they hear that the president of the Farmer's Alliance of the State is being rotten egged by democratic hirelings. Can the democratic leaders of Texas afford to thus insult the farmers of the state? If they think they can, they should keep on throwing their stale argument at the president of the Alliance and then await the outcome.—Ex.

OFFICE ROBBERY.

A Preacher's Views on The Action of a Defeated Political Party.

Concord Vestibule.]

But we choose to instance an example practiced by our own party, so far as we have a party, and practiced against a man for whom I did not vote but for whose rival we did vote. But justice is justice. It is justice not only when in our favor but also when in favor of our opponent. And so long as our politics and government are permeated and controlled by such principles as now hold high carnival, we shall be ground in the mill

OF CRUEL WRONG AND INJUSTICE

Let the Christian speaker, the Christian editor, the Christian voter, the Christian magistrate do justice even in politics. But to the case of which we spoke. In a certain county of N. C., (referring to Cabarrus) at the last election a man was lawfully elected county treasuer. He was required, but not according to law, to give twice as large a bond as his predecessor who was of the other party. Upon the face of this was written in unmistakable letters the spiteful purpose of defrauding him of the office given him by the people. But to their surprise he gave this enormous bond. Then they began to devise means to

ROB HIM OF THE OFFICE.

A law enacted some eighteen years ago was used as a pretext for abolishing the office. Forthwith the magistrates abolished the office to take effect immediately—an office that they refused to abolish so long as their party filled it. Had they abolished it to take effect at the next regular election, there would have been no room for a charge of injustice. Then it might have been the result of honest conviction, of honest principle. But even

NO SHADOW OF EXCUSE

was left them, for the cause of the action was assigned, "that special man must be downed." He was not of their political faith. He had outvoted them. He would not do just as they demanded. He had dared to vote for a colored man in a colored ward as school commissioner over a colored graded school. He had voted this vote that was damnable. I fear 9 out of every 10 of these partisan Christians will

DESPISE AND ABANDON HEAVEN

because, forsooth, God has adjudged some of the negro race worthy to enter its courts. They will not so disgrace themselves as to walk the golden streets after those streets have been defiled by some negroe's step.

This treasurer had been elected to an office by the people. That office had been so necessary before that these same magistrates had refused to abolish it. But immediately upon the election of this man it became necessary to abolish this man,

HIS OWN BROTHERS IN HIS OWN CHURCH

participating in the robbery. They can sit with him at God's table yet can't tolerate the idea of his cashing accounts for them.

And of 40 J. P's. that voted to steal from him the office 34 and possibly more were professing Christians; professing to do to others as they would have others to do to them. Nor was this all. Many men and women applauded the action and rejoiced in the robbery. Such is some of the justice enacted by men called justices of the peace. Such is the practical doing to others as these professing Christians would have others do to them. They possibly

THOUGHT IT A SMART TRICK

thus to frustrate the will of the people and rob a man because they could vent their spite. But a day will come when there shall be a reckoning with the unjust and wicked. "Vengence is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord." "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you that he will not hear." "None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth; they trust in vanity and speak lies; they conceive mischief and bring forth iniquity."

The above is taken from a sermon preached by Rev. J. O. Alderman, pastor of the Baptist church in Concord, June 9th, '95. Although Mr. A—is a Democrat he can't stand this last action. He says it is a robbery; he says it is stealing and he is right. We are glad there is some manhood left in the pulpit of Concord which dares to speak the truth. We thank Mr. Alderman for speaking the truth.

Kentucky, Oh? Kentucky.

California Equity.]

Kentucky elects a governor next November. At no time in the history of that state did she ever elect a Republican governor or send a Republican to the electoral college. In 1892 she gave Cleveland 40,000 majority. Now, is there any Democrat in Santa Barbara with the courage of his convictions, who has ten dollars also, possessed of sufficient courage to say that Kentucky will not elect a Republican governor this time? If so we think we can show him how to verify the old proverb that bewails the early parting of the fool and his money.

John Carlisle's foot is on your shore,
Kentucky, oh! Kentucky;
You'll ne'er go Democratic more,
Kentucky, oh! Kentucky.
Aye! weep until your eyes are sore,—
You'll never as in days of yore
A Democratic victory score,
Kentucky, oh! Kentucky.

Uncle John Sherman says that Cleveland made his Cabinet merely a lot of clerks. That may be true, but many a good Democrat after pie would like to hold one of those clerkships.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

POPULISM VS. DEMOCRACY.

"Old Dan's" Reflections on the Sayings and Doings of Democratic Papers.

A BILL OF INDICTMENT.

Against the "Three Observers" and their Associates—Their Unholy Impudence in Defending What is Wrong and Condeming What is Right—Sledgehammer Blows Against the Blowers.

PINE HILL FARM, July 29, 1895.—A man has only to read a few editorial lines in some of the latter-day Democratic papers in order to become disgusted at the depths of treacherous iniquity into which some of our late degenerate sons of noble sires have fallen. If some of these "*newses and observers*" have expressed their true sentiments, it is enough to bring the

BLUSH OF SHAME

to the cheeks of worse historic characters than ever were such heroes as Judas Iscariot, Benedict Arnold, or even a Jeffreys.

They are spokesmen of a party which aided and abetted in the high crime of destroying $2,300,000,000 of the toiling people's money in order to enrich the few who control the gold of the world!

Populism says this was wrong, and ought not to be repeated.

Whereupon the Charlotte "*observer, hungry for pelf*, says: "Populism is a curse, a blight, a political paralysis, worse almost than death, and every community, north or south, east or west, should shun it as they would the leprosy."

These papers claim to advocate the principles of the party that aided and abetted in building the great highways of this Republic at the expense of the people, and then

GAVE THEM TO A FAVORED FEW,

together with 212,000,000 acres of the public domain, while half the people of this American Union own not one foot of land!

Populism condemns this as unjust, unwise, and ought not to be defended or perpetuated.

Such "statesmen out of a job" as these "*observers*," say: "Any kind of democracy is better than populism;" that it would condemn such an outrage, and that it "should be shunned as leprosy." How art thou fallen. Oh! Lucifer!!

These pelf-hungry, would-be leaders of the people, advocate and defend a party which aided and abetted in the deadly work which causes

16,000 BANKRUPTCIES ANNUALLY,

makes 2,000,000 paupers, 3,000,000 tramps, and has now enslaved 40,000,000 people; drives 250,000 virtuous women to prostitution, and starves to death 114,000 infants every year!

Populism says this is all wrong, and ought to cease, but one of these "*observers*" (the Fayetteville one) says: "Any kind of Democracy is better than Populism," and the Charlotte one says: "Populism

IS A CURSE, A BLIGHT,"

simply because Populism denounces such a system of government, and demands a reform. Oh, the rottenness of unregenerate Democratic human nature!

These papers belong to a party which has subsidized the press, the pulpit, the courts, the executive and legislative branches of the Government, both State and Nation. Populism condemns this sin as a crime against humanity and decency, and demands that it be stopped. The Fayetteville "server" says: "That great sin and crime is better than Populism." But the Charlotte "*server* says: "Populism is a blight, a curse, a political paralysis."

Depths of mercy, can there be hope for such a thing as he?

These papers claims to be the mouthpieces, or spokesmen, for a party, which, by class laws,

HAVE MADE LABOR DISHONORABLE,

rewards villainy, placed scoundrels in high positions, and have driven 4,000,000 laborers into secret political societies, as the only means of protection afforded them.

Populism teaches that this is all wrong and ought not to be fostered and encouraged But these defenders of infamy say that "all that is better than Populism," and that "Populism should be shunned as leprosy."

These papers defend a political party, which claims the chief executive officer of the United States, a President, who used his power to coerce the representatives of the people, and force them to approve measures which have

PRODUCED MORE LOSS OF WEALTH

than any war with which our country was ever cursed; more suffering than disease, or pestilence, or famine since Columbus discovered this continent. He has sold his people into bondage to a foreign syndicate in order to enrich himself, plundered the treasury on two occasions, used the army to overawe the people of a sovereign State, and shielded a powerful corporation from the indignation of an outraged people, a corporation engaged in starving American citizens. All this in plain violation of his oath of office.

Populism condemns this outrage, and demands equal rights and justice for all.

But these "*servers*" say, virtually, "All this is better than Populism, and that Populism "is a curse!"

These hungry "servers" defend a party that has deceived the people

IN EVERY PLATFORM

since 1864, promising the people more just and wholesome laws to protect their rights and the ballot, and have shamefully bought and sold office.

Populism condemns and denounces this perfidy and dishonesty, yet these papers say "Populism is a curse and a blight and should be shunned." And why? Just because it is right, just, patriotic, and politically honest.

All three of these "Observers" viz: The Raleigh, the Fayetteville, and the Charlotte Observer defend a party that has lent its aid in erecting trusts on every article, from that first used by the midwife to the marble slab in the cemetery, and are to-day collecting their tolls from the

CRADLE TO THE GRAVE.

They tax the poor to protect the rich. They enslave labor and force it to forge its own chains. They are now taxing productive labor to support a militia which they are secretly drilling in large cities, which they expect to use to force labor

INTO MORE ABJECT SLAVERY,

after having bonded our children to foreign Jews.

Populism condemns all this as unholy, unjust, unwise, and dangerous to our liberties. These blind leaders declare that the above evils are better than Populism, because fostered by latter-day Democrats, and that a party or a people who would oppose such unholy abuses, *is a curse, a blight, worse than death.*

These "servers" are not alone in entertaining such views. They have voiced the sentiments of nearly every Democratic sheet in North Carolina. They denounce all parties and all men who have the manliness to openly oppose the present monarchical tendencies of the Administration. And while they denounce all men and measures, and all parties who oppose the further transfer of the American people to a Jewish syndicate in London, there is one redeeming feature in the matter: for by so doing the voters can see into what a

VORTEX OF IRRETRIEVABLE RUIN

these pelf-hungry editors would plunge the present and future generations in order to obtain a little government sop. The voters can see, that while these editors pretend to have the good of the country and people at heart, they really stand ready to do the bidding of a klan of freebooters regardless of consequences. The people are watching these cormorants, and only want one more chance to express themselves at the ballot-box, when all that was left of that rotten old hulk, called "Democratic Party," last November will be buried out of sight of all good men, God and Angels. May Heaven speed the day!

OLD DAN.

MARION BUTLER AT TIRZAH, S. C.

He Addresses the Alliance—Masses Must Form a New Party and Fight—Cleveland a Faithless Overseer. "Would to God Jackson Was Here." Tillman Speaks.

Press Dispatch in Charlotte Observer.]

COLUMBIA, S. C., July 25th.—The State Alliance began a three days' encampment at Tirzah to-day. Marion Butler, of North Carolina, made the opening speech of the day. He said that the currency question had become so serious that the time had come for the masses to form their new party and fight; that the present leaders were traitors; that the foreign financial policy was revolting; that the time had come to choose between allegiance to party and allegiance to the constitution; that Cleveland had acted as a faithless overseer to the people's farm; that party labels should be wiped out; that he was a Populist because he was a Democrat. Then he exclaimed dramatically: "Would to God we could call up Andrew Jackson to day from his grave to lead these people against the same enemies that he fought and thought he had crushed, to hurl defiance at and crush the gold-bugs!"

After dinner Senator Tillman addressed about 2,500 people. His speech was a reproduction of his speech at the silver convention at Memphis, with very little new added. He said that the times had come for putting aside the livery of the Democratic party, and the coalition of the forces of the South and West to overcome the combined North and East. The Democratic platform had been good enough for President Cleveland to be elected on but not good enough to be carried out. The result has been that our yardstick which measures values has been cut in half, with the effect of doubling the purchasing power of the gold dollar. It takes now twice as much of labor, or the products of labor, to buy a dollar. Everything has shrunk in value except debts.

Honest Journalism.

Washington Times.]

"I believe," said Robert Collyer, "that a good newspaper is as sacred in its own way as the Bible. It has something in it of the very present word of God to man, and the very present word of man to God."

This was the great tribute of a great man to honesty in journalism. It ought to be the high aim of every newspaper man to deserve it.

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It is not one that invades the sanctity of the home for the gratification of the scandal monger or the satisfaction of petty spite.

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But the editor whose greed for wealth causes him to open his columns to every powerful and oppressive schemer is dishonest and ought to be branded as such. The merchant who cheats his customers has his Nemesis. The editor who betrays his people ought to have a place in the same category.

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ALLEGIANCE TO COUNTRY

Greater than to Party—South Carolina to Fight the British and the Goldbugs—A Great Two Days Encampment.

Special Correspondence of the Caucasian.

ROCK HILL, S. C., July 25, 1895.—This has been a great day in York county. The big annual Farmers' Encampment commenced at Tirzah to-day. Five thousand reformers have gathered from a dozen counties, coming not only on the trains but in covered wagons and other conveyances through the country. There is an abundance of provisions, a number of very prominent speakers and one of the best bands in the State. The first speaker to-day was Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina. Our people have heard much of this remarkable young statesman and were anxious to see and hear him. He was dressed plainly and there is no assumed dignity in his manner. He mixed with the crowd and talked as easily to every one as if he were at his own home, and seemed entirely unconscious of the fact that he is one of the most prominent figures in this country today, and one of the men toward whom the masses are looking with interest and hope.

His speech was as plain and clever as his manner; but as he spoke every man drew nearer to catch and weigh every word. His facts were presented without any flourish or attempt at oratory, but his conclusions were so plain, forcible and irresistible, that when he had finished everyone realized that he had made a great impression on the audience.

It is impossible for me to report his speech. I heard the reporter for the Columbia State say that it was the hardest speech to report, without giving it in full, that he had ever tried. He admitted that it was so full of facts, so logically connected in one complete argument that it was difficult to condense it. But there was one thing in his speech that I had never thought of before, and which impressed me strongly. It was his argument showing that it made no difference how many Congressman and Senators the people might elect, the people could never get relief till they elect a man who is a patriot for President. He showed that if South Carolina and North Carolina did not join their electorial votes for the same man to help elect him President, that it was useless for us to bother much about who the congressmen were.

Senator Butler paid a high tribute to Senator Tillman and said, we need a man of his courage and patriotism in the White House.

When he finished some one proposed three cheers for Marion Butler and the large audience responded with unanimous heartiness.

GOV. EVANS AND SENATOR TILLMAN.

After dinner Gov. Evans spoke first, and dealt chiefly with State matters. He urged the people to go to the polls on next Tuesday and see that good men were elected to our Constitutional Convention. He also outlined some of the things that should be done in the coming convention to amend the Constitution. This is a very important matter and the people gave him close attention.

When Senator Tillman arose he was given a hearty reception, and was listened to and cheered throughout. Tirzah is the place where he made his first public speech, and we claim that this is the birthplace of the reform movement in South Carolina. Our annual encampment is held to celebrate this event. Senator Tillman dealt with the goldbugs and the traitorous administration of Cleveland with ungloved hands. He said that the time had come for every patriot to put the constitution of his county above party. He said that he, for one, would not support a goldbug for President next time, and that the candidate he voted for would have to be square for free silver of 16 to 1, and for financial reform. He asked every man in the audience who agreed with him and who would stand by him in such a course to hold up his hands, and it seems that every hand in that vast audience went up, followed by three rousing, ringing cheers.

This writer feels safe in saying that North and South Carolina will vote together in 1896 for the same free silver and financial reform candidate for President.

To-morrow Senator Irby, Congressman Talbert and others will speak Our encampment is a great success this year.

With best wishes and good cheer to every Populist in the Old North State, I am,

A. S. C. JEFFERSON DEMOCRAT.

TO THE 'CRATS.

Dear galvanized 'Crats, you think you are gold,
But it's copper alloy you are,
Not two carats fine; and out in the cold
You stand bewildered and bare.

Better get on a move to the Populite camp
Where the shiny white metal is found,
And follow the light of the Populist Lamp
To the Promised Land where it is bound.

Your leader's a trump, but he "plays the deuce,"
For a higher card's not in his hand;
Taken altogether his Wall Street excuse
To enslave this God given land!

Hop over the fence—it's not very high—
And the Pop. encampment is wide,
When the gold bugs have swarmed away they will fly
And leave you no "hobby to ride."

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OF COURSE.

Mr. Harvey, the author of Coin's Financial School, desires it to be understood that he is debating as a Populist, and that the Populist party is the only organization that favors free silver.—Washington Post.

HOW THH GOLD MEN CAN WIN AND HOW THEY CAN BE DEFEATED.

Any man who has watched the current of events for the past few years knows that the next National conventions of the two old parties will not declare for the free coinage of silver. Each one of them may write a straddling platform and nominate a half-way silver man for Vice-President, but everybody will know what that means. The machinery of both old parties is not only dead against silver and more money, but is in league with and controlled by the gold men. Therefore every man who stays in either of these old parties will simply be helping and strengthening the gold men. Then how can any man who is not in favor of a single gold standard stay in either of these gold parties? Do you want the gold men to win? No. Therefore you will not vote the gold ticket. Will you sit down and do nothing while the enemies of prosperity commit their crime? No. Therefore you will fight the gold men with all your power. Yes, you will fight them and vote against them. You will work and vote for a platform and a candidate for President who is square on the financial question.

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There is but one way that the gold men can win. That is for the patriots in the Republican party who are opposed to the gold men to stay in that party, and for the patriots in the Democratic party who are opposed to the gold men to stay in that party. Then the gold men would put up two gold bugs for President and the patriots would help elect one of them with their votes. If the People's Party should devide and each Populist should go back to his old party, the result would be the same.

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There is but one way that the gold men can be beaten. That is for the patriots of the two old parties to come together. Then all the prtriots would be in one party while the gold men would be divided into two gold parties with two gold candidates.

Patriots, the path of duty and the road to victory is plain. The battle must be fought—the hour has struck—the opportunity is here—will you seize it? Think of the direction in which this country is now drifting and what the end will be! Let us show that we are worthy sons of our ancestors. The British are again on our shores and the Tories are going to their assistance.

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Sons of Liberty, let us act—let us get under one banner—the banner of American freedom and American prosperity. Let us drive the enemy from our shores and plant that banner once more upon the dome of the nation's capitol.

SENATOR JARVIS AND "HUMILIATING TERMS."

Ex-Senator Jarvis, in a recent interview in the Wilmington Messenger, spoke, from his standpoint, of the necessity of redeeming the State in the next political contest from "such a crowd as composed the last legislature." "He looks with horror" upon the fact that the State is not now in the hands of the Democratic party and he is now oversensitive, apparently, because the "machine" politicians and their infamous methods were defeated by the honest, courageous manhood of the State.

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Senator Jarvis says he served in the legislature of '68, and remembers how the State suffered from the spoliation of men who composed that body, and certainly he ought to remember. Let us ask the Senator a question or two: Did he not vote for the issuance of ten million dollars of "infamous special tax bonds," which the Democratic party afterwards so vehemently denounced?

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We recall also that his "disinterested statesmanship" prevented a full settlement of the back taxes due the State, when that question was brought before the legislature of 1893. Thousands of dollars would have gone into the State treasury if this matter had not been compromised by that body, and Senator Jarvis admitted that he represented the W. & W. R. R., and at the same time advised the legislature to compromise the tax with the railroad company.

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Evidently the Senator has learned something since the last election, for he says "the farmer has studied the money question with more care and independence than any political question with which he has had to deal since the war, and an observing man will find the country people well informed and determined on the silver question." To whom is the fact that the farmers are "well informed" on the money question due? Certainly not to Senator Jarvis, for in the last two campaigns the force of his argument and that of his "crowd" was directed to the tariff, as the solution of the ills that afflict the country and at the same time belittling the silver question. Why has he so recently learned that the money question is the issue? He must have been "educated" by reading the Populist papers.

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Further on he says: "In 1892 there was not a breath of suspicion that we were not in earnest in our advocacy of silver, and the people stood by the party; but, unfortunately it was not the case in 1894."

Senator Jarvis makes a mistatement when he says that 1892 "there was not a breath of suspicion" that the Democratic party was not "in earnest in its advocacy of silver," for the organization of the People's Party was a solemn protest against the action of the party in congress in the spring of 1892, when there was 148 Democratic majority.

Furthermore the national platform was a straddle on the silver question, and intended to deceive the south and west. The subsequent action of the party in and out of the State justified the revolt of 1892, and the landslide in 1894.

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Says he: "The people are wiser than many men give them credit for being." That is true, but Senator Jarvis has in no manner added to their wisdom or enlightenment on the money question, and other great questions of the day. He continues: "They are not so easily fooled as some of our leaders suppose." This is an admission that in the past some of our "leaders" have prospered by fooling the people. We thank the Senator for this frank bit of information, and promise him that his "crowd" won't fool the people any more.

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While the Senator and his "crowd" denounce Fusion in the past he now advocates it. Hear him: "I would bring every Democratic Populist into the folds of the Democratic party, and seek their aid in saving the State, and I would not impose upon them any humiliating terms."

We would suggest that the only way the "Democratic Populists" can be brought into the fold again, would be by fooling them, and this the Senator confesses that the "leaders"—he among them, however willing, can not do again. "Humiliating terms!" The Senator has never been taken for a humorist, although his quiet demeanor has been mistaken for piety; but this sort of thing is enough to "shake the midriff of dispair with laughter," as Tennyson says.

MORE INGENIOUS STEALING.

According to the best gold bug authority, the People's Party is the only one that has unqualifiedly demanded the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1. Now the Democrats are trying to steal that much of the Populist platform. They brazenly declare, even in the face of recent events, that the Democratic party stands for the free and unlimited coinage of silver. They claim this as being a vital principle of their platform—we mean the so-called silver Democrats.

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But Senator Morgan goes the party one better. *He* says he "looks to the great Democratic party and its creed of *equal rights to all and* EXCLUSIVE *privileges to none.*" Oh, shade of Diogenes! Would you ever find honesty in the Democratic gang? Oh, shade of Mephistopheles! Have you a disciple that can excel such hypocrisy as this?

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In 1891 the People's Party flung to the breeze its great banner on which was inscribed: "Equal rights to all, special privileges to none." It proclaimed to the world the new Declaration of Independence, and this declaration was as much reviled and scoffed at by Democrats and other hirelings of monopoly as was the Declaration of Independence of 1776 by Tories and other minions of the crown. But now, when the American spirit of patriotism refuses to down at the bidding of shylock parties and Jew syndicate administrations—when the hand-writing on the wall says to disgraced and discredited Democracy, "THOU ART WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE AND ART FOUND WANTING," when the thunderous condemnation of an outraged people is hurled in righteous indignation against its fraud and lying, then comes forth an apologist and champion (Morgan) who seeks to mitigate the sentence by crying out Democratic "creed of equal rights to all and *exclusive* privileges to none."

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But even in this cry for mercy there is the sneaking knavery and diabolical hypocrisy from which Democracy cannot disassociate itself. For let it be seen—let it be proclaimed that this champion thunders forth against *exclusive* privileges. An *exclusive* privilege can be granted to only one person or corporation. *Special* privileges may be granted to many different people. And if the plea of this champion should be heard, and there should be no change in existing systems, the same champion would explain that no *one* person or corporation had an *exclusive* privilege in anything, even though *special* privileges might be extended to many.

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Watch. Listen. Be on the alert. The experience of the past two years proclaim in thunder tones that Democracy and deception are twins. To court one is to invite the other.

IS THE TROUBLE WITH THE LAW?

Since the verdict in the Shemwell trial a number of newspapers have started afresh to abuse our jury system. We call upon these papers to state wherein the law is wrong or can be improved. The law is right. The trouble is in the administration of the law. If the county commissioners would do their duty and carry out the plain letter of the law with reference to the jury-boxes, and if the judges would (especially in important cases) require the special juries to be drawn from the box instead of being summoned at random by the sheriff, and at the same time see that no intelligent man, of good character, is adjudged to be disqualified to sit as a juror because he has formed an opinion, then the law will be executed so as to produce the results intended by the law. A man who is not well enough informed to have heard of an important case for trial in his county, and a man whose mind is so weak or inactive that he failed to form some kind of an opinion is not fit to sit on a jury. As a rule the men who are informed and who have formed opinions on the evidence as far as they have heard, are the very best men to sit on a jury.

Let the press lay the blame where it belongs and thus help to improve the execution of the law.

PARTY BLINDED.

He is joined to his idol—Democracy. We mean Senator Morgan. As a Democrat he admits and emphasizes all the facts which Populists have brought to the front. But he is still a weakling. In speaking of the infamous bond deal he says:

"I see no profit in selling them at 104½ when they were worth 120; but I charge no evil intent upon any one for making this child's bargain. Its absurdity is a strong plea for its innocence."

Now a man who can palliate such rascality—who can "charge no evil intent" in such a scheme as this is too much blinded by narrow partisanism to be fully trusted *when it comes to acting.* Does any sensible man think that such an apology as this would have been uttered by Senator Morgan if the Republican party had made that deal?

THE WALL STREET POT-METALISTS.

Thus far we have seen only one southern newspaper that has bitten at the "broadside supplement" bait of the William Street Reform Club. That paper is the Burlington News, of Burlington, N. C. It is a very cheap sale, altogether, but we have no doubt that the cheap supplement of the reform club is worth as much as the rest of the Burlington News. —Atlanta Constitution.

But there are some more, Mr. Constitution. Our love for the honor and integrity for the "Old North State"—the home of liberty and independence—makes us loath to confess it, but there are some more. You may add to your "black-list" the Rocket, of Rockingham, and the Dispatch, of Lexington. There may be others.

"Yet, the subject has been so expanded and clouded by the ingenious advocates of the monopolistic powers that the people have unwittingly granted to the bankers, capitalists and bullion brokers here and in London, that the sunlight of truth is obscured by it as that of nature is darkened by a London fog. There was never before such concentration of energy, such persistence in sophistry, such a combination of money and political power as has been drawn into this cruel attack upon an honest and trustful people.—From Senator Morgan's speech.

Senator Morgan had an opportunity to expose these facts in the Fifty Third Congress. His party had the power to correct every evil. That party *refused* to do it. And yet the Senator looks to the Democratic party for relief! Oh, the purblind party weakness of some men!!

The associated banks of New York city hold over thirty-eight millions of dollars of idle money. A more effective answer than this to the statement that there is not enough money in the country to do the business can hardly be imagined.—Charlotte Observer.

Well what is this money doing there? How does it all go there? Suppose you wanted some money; don't you see these associated banks can dictate the terms on which you can have it? Now, you just stop talking so much and pitch in and help us inaugurate a system by which the "associated banks" cannot acquire this power. You stop standing up for banks and gold bugs.

Georgia had a pretty tough dose of mixed Democracy recently. The great Hoax-Myth made a loud, Democratic gold bug speech (written by Carlisle) at Gainesville, and during the same week Senator Morgan made a so-called Democratic silver speech at Griffin. Both of them ranted around about the Democratic party being the "party of the people;" both of them had undying faith in it and while both were fighting and talking for widely different principles, both of them proclaimed they were Democrats. Hully Gee!! What is a Democrat?

Hon. Mr. Hoax-Myth, after "changing his mind," has begun stumping the State of Georgia for the goldbugs. He tells the people they ought to stand by Cleveland because he appointed Southern men to big offices. Great Scott! What do the people care about a few appointments that only make soft places for a *few* men? What the people want is good government and a prosperous country—not a few old mossbacks in office. We wonder if these fellows ever will learn that the people are not fools.

The lawyers of the State and the people generally will be interested in any article published elsewhere in this issue headed "Blackstone Not Eliminated." The article corrects an error of the News & Observer and puts the matter before the public in its true light. The standard of the legal profession has not been lowered by our Supreme court and Blackstone is taught by our law schools as it should be.

The goldites are waking up. They have confessed that they cannot hold up their side of the financial question by argument. Now they are trying to sidetrack that issue. Watch 'em, boys, watch 'em.

ARE YOU A FRIEND OF GOOD GOVERNMENT?

Let every patriot read THE CAUCASIAN and learn the facts and the truth—get your neighbors to read it—truth and right can not conquer by themselves. The friends of good government must put the truth before the voters. Get every voter to read THE CAUCASIAN and it will do the rest.

We call attention to our letter from Chapel Hill this week. The Summer School for teachers which has just adjourned has been a great success. The attendance was twice as large this year as last. It will be twice as large next year as this. Every public school teacher in the State can attend this school, and they will do it when they realize what it is. It is far superior to the county institute system.

We are glad that we made a mistake in giving currency to the report that Senator Blackburn would come off the stump in Kentucky at the command of the gold bugs. He makes the usual old party mistake of trying to stick to Democracy, but he knows the points in the silver question, and if he will tell what he knows the people will vote right, no matter what party he fights for.

Grand Master Workman, Sovereign, of the K. of L. proposes a boycott of bank notes. A bank note passes for money these days, and while such a note is a product of a vicious and ruinous system, we do not believe the boycott will go. Money is too scarce, and people are too sorely in need of it. They will take bank notes till some better system is devised.

Two valuable papers were found on our exchange table for the first time last week, and we hope to welcome them each week from this on. One was beautifully printed and "chock full" of choice articles advocating the rights of the great common people and sailing under the appropriate name of "The Caucasian."—Kentucky Industrial Record.

We are glad to see that the friends of silver are holding silver rallies all over the State. The gold bugs are at work. Now is the time for the people to work. Every true friend of silver will now not only take the position that he is for silver and against any man who is not for it, but he will do something to help in the fight.

See our special letter from Kentucky this week. The outlook for a free silver victory grows brighter each day. Hon. Tom. Pettit, the People's party nominee for governor, is receiving many letters from Democrats who place country above party. Senator Blackburn refuses to be muzzled, and will enter the fight against the gold machine.

The term "Democrat" goes into the classic category of the famous "Raw Head and Bloody Bones." In Wilson county unruly youngsters are told by good mothers that a Democrat will get them if they don't be good. That reduces all sorts of juvenile rebellion to the docility of a lamb and the dumbness of an oyster.

Of the twenty three Democratic State platforms having financial planks, twenty one of them declared for silver. But there's no free silver, even though the Democrats had 148 majority in the last Congress. You can get free silver through the Dem. party you know. Yes, you know it, don't you.

If it was *honorable* in Senator Blackburn to stop talking for free silver because the Democratic State committee of Kentucky had declared for the single gold standard, then would it not be *honorable* in the Charlotte Observer to stop talking for gold because the Democratic State committee of N. C., has declared for silver?

The assessed valuation of railroads for 1895 is $523,267,06 more for 1895 than it was for 1894. There's nothing like having a Populist on the railroad commission or in any other department of State government to bring matters up properly. See?

Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Carlisle attempted to deliver the people of Kentucky like so many sheep over to the gold bugs, but there was more manhood and patriotism in that State than they had supposed.

It begins to look like Senator Blackburn will stand by the people and fight the tories and the gold bugs. If he does the people of Kentucky will rally to him and crush both of the gold parties.

Why has the News and Observer stopped praising Coin's Financial School? Is it because the editor of that paper has learned that Mr. Harvey is a Populist?

The free silver sentiment is gaining in Kentucky and the prospects for Hon. Tom. Pettit, the People's Party nominee for Governor grow brighter each day.

The longer the people of Kentucky look at the Democratic platform of that State the madder they get.

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MR. KESTLER WINS.

The High Handed Outrage of the Machine Democracy Overturned by the Court.

In the last election the Populist nominee for treasurer of Cabarrus county—Mr. G Ed. Kestler—was fairly elected. Every kind of effort was made to count him out, but the majority for him was too big and too fair to permit that proceeding. Then the Democratic machine tried another scheme to keep him out. They doubled the amount of the bond which had been required of Democratic treasurers thinking he would be unable to give it. But he met the requirements and came up with the bond demanded. Even this did not suit the machine. They were determined to keep him out, regardless of the expressed will of the voters, and the only thing left them was to undertake to abolish the office. This scheme was brazenly and unblushingly resorted to. The effort is plainly described in an extract from a sermon preached by Rev. Mr. Alderman, printed elsewhere in this issue. Mr. Kestler declined to submit to any such proceeding, and carried the matter into court. The case was heard before Judge Norwood in Cabarrus county last week. Ex-Judge Spier Whitaker, Hon. J. C. Pritchard and Mr. Morrison Caldwell represented Mr. Kestler, and Judge Montgomery and Mr. Crowell appeared for his opponent. The decision of the Judge was that the action of the Justices of the Peace in abolishing the offices was illegal and void, and that Mr. Kestler was entitled to the office until the expiration of the time for which he was elected. A notice of appeal was given, but we are informed that in view of the clear facts in the case, the appeal will probably not be prosecuted.

THAT CABARRUS CASE

Made Three Hundred Votes For the Populists. Cabarrus is All Right.

For the Caucasian.]

Friday, July 26th, 1895, was a red letter for the faithful in Cabarrus county. On the first Monday in June forty Democratic Justices of the Peace thinking themselves to be vested with the omnipotence of the British parliament passed a resolution declaring the office of county treasurer abolished. No one has denied that the office was sought to be abolished solely for the purpose of punishing the incumbent, Mr. G. Ed. Kestler, for his political attacks upon monopoly and bosses. Mr. Kestler refused to surrender the books and other effects of the office, whereupon the Sheriff brought suit to determine the law concerning the matter. Mr. Kestler was represented by Caldwell of Concord, Judge Whitaker of Raleigh, and Senator Pritchard. Judge Whitaker's speech scored severely these would-be "lords of creation," who attempted to overthrow the will of the people of Cabarrus county. His argument was one of the ablest ever heard in our court house, and he made a host of friends to his fearless and able speech. Senator Pritchard received an ovation, being kept busy for quite a while shaking hands with friends. This attempt to oust Kestler was declared illegal by Judge Norwood and thus endeth the first lesson to Democrats to "keep off the grass". "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." This outrage will give the Populists 300 votes in the next election. Cabarrus is all right and still on deck. "TIM POPCORN."

Good Roads.

Financial And Industrial Record.]

Good roads are a sure index of prosperous farmers and indirectly have a large influence upon the growth and development of towns and cities. Commercial organizations in various parts of the country are awakening to this fact, and organized efforts are to be made, particularly in sections of the South and Middle States, towards putting highways in a better condition.

Could it be accurately calculated, the loss sustained by farmers in being obliged to urge their horses with heavy loads over poor roads, would be something enormous. Good roads make good markets and it frequently happens that poor roads practically eat up the profit of certain markets.

As has been many times demonstrated, the construction of good roads will materially increase the value of farms and country property, and acts as a stimulus and attraction for immigration.

The first cost for construction of good roads is apt, like all other good things. to be high but there is no municipal or county investment which will make as good return for money expended. Convict labor could be utilized to advantage and a large expense taken from the State. Tramps could be forced into service and made to earn an honest living for a few weeks, at least.

In the campaign for good roads, the efforts of the bicycle organizations throughout the country deserve much credit. They perceived the necessity of them for their own use, and where they have been successful the farmers and owners of country property have also been large gainers.

But the good work is hardly yet begun. In all of the older States there are large sections where the roads are in a frightful condition, almost unsafe for man or beast. Not only does this condition of affairs exist but a more deplorable fact is that the people themselves seem to have no ambition to have things different. Much missionary wrok is yet necessary to convince many of them that a road is something other than a long narrow strip of land with the stumps pulled up. Boards of trade and commercial clubs could hardly find a better or more promising field for work that would bring in direct returns than in pushing along the campaign for better roads

Kentucky is the Battle Ground,

In the fight for reform this year, both the old parties support the gold standard, while the People's party alone clings to the faith of the fathers. If you want to keep up with the hottest fight ever waged in Kentucky, take the Kentucky Populist, State Chairman Jo. A. Parker's paper—10 cents for the campaign, including one issue with full returns or $1 until election, 1896. Address, Kentucky Populist, Paducah, Ky.

The Southern Railway Company at Atlanta

Mr. M. C. Richards, land and immigration agent of the Southern Railway Company writes the CAUCASIAN as follows:

You no doubt are aware that the Southern Railway Company will have a special building at the Atlanta Exposition. This building will undoubtedly be visited by a great many Northern people who are prospective home-seekers, and I would suggest that you favorably consider getting up a special list of your properties and let us have a supply so that we can distribute same from our building.

TOM PETTIT GAINING.

The Free Silver Democrats Pleased With the People's Party Ticket and Platform.

BLACKBURN'S DEFIANCE

Of the Goldbug Machine--Goldites are Becoming Desperate--Democrats and Republicans Losing Favor and Strength .People's Party Gaining Daily.

For the Caucasian.

LOUISVILLE, KY., July 28.—Since my last letter Senator Blackburn has been before the Democratic State Executive Committee and given them a piece of his mind. He denied their right to order him to stop speaking, and defied them. He said he would continue to canvass the State for free silver, party or no party.

The confusion and demoralization in the Democratic ranks grows greater each day. Whole counties are revolting against the gold machine.

Everything is not lovely in the Republican camp. The free silver element is also developing and showing signs of indifference in that party. Besides there is a considerable element of the party dissatisfied with Bradley and some of their other candidates.

In the meantime the People's Party is rapidly perfecting a strong organization and preparing to fight to a finish both goldbug tickets. The ticket and platform of the People's Party is highly satisfactory to the free silver Democrats.

Hon. Tom Pettit, our candidate for Governor, is flooded with letters from silver men all over the State who are pledging him their support. The Democratic candidates are afraid to meet him on the stump and discuss the money question squarely before the people. They have declined a joint discussion with him. They want to canvass with the Republicans alone, so that the money questionwill not be discussed by either side. But the people want to hear the financial question discussed and they will be sure to turn out and hear our speeches. The people in this State hate a coward.

The Courier-Journal is getting desperate. In the last issue it says: "The Democratic platform of Kentucky is an out and out sound money platform. It not only reaffirms the national platform of 1892, but also unqualifiedly endorses the interpretation of it by Cleveland and Carlisle. There is not an inch of space in it for an honest advocate of free silver at 16 to 1 to stand on. Such a man can not honestly claim that it presents his views.

All such, who are intelligent and honest and who mean what they say will vote for Tom Pettit, the Populist candidate for Governor and for Blackburn nominees for the legislature."

The majority of the people of Kentucky are for free and unlimited silver 16 to 1 without the consent of England, and will be very apt to take the advice of the Courier-Journal in this respect. C.

A Big Insurance Fraud.

Special to the News and Observer.]

MOREHEAD CITY, N. C., July 27—A sensation was created here to-day by the arrest of some of the most prominent citizens of Beaufort upon the charge of wholesale insurance frauds. Some time ago Col. John W. Hinsdale, of Raleigh, went to Beaufort with his stenographer and for several days took evidence in regard to charges of frauds on insurance companies. This made people expect that something further would be heard, but they were not prepared for the wholesale arrests made there to-day.

It is believed that there has been a conspiracy here for some years to swindle insurance companies, and the charge is that the local agents, examiners, and others have been working together. Their plan seems to have been to insure some person who was on the very verge of the grave from some fatal malady, and when the insured party died to send a certificate that he died of pneumonia caused by exposure or some similar disease. Then they would divide the money between them. It seems that this has been carried on systematically for the past ten years, and that certain parties have made small fortunes out of the crime.

As a result of these investigations the following persons were arrested to-day at Beaufort on warrants sworn out by J. W. Aiken, of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of New York, charged with the most gigantic and successful conspiracy to effect grave yard insurance on record: Dr. T. B. Delamar, ex-Treasurer of Beaufort and Justice of the Peace and Medical examiner; Chas. R. Hassell, Levi T. Noe, Selden D. Delamar, ex-Mayor of Beaufort; Jacob D. Delamar; also general insurance agents, Rev. Stephen I. Turner, David W. Parker, William Fisher, Albert Wigfall and William H. Turner.

The names of the companies and associations interested are: The Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, New York; Massachusetts Benefit Association, Boston; National Life Association, Hartford, Conn.; Life Insurance Clearing Company, St. Paul; Michigan Mutual Life Insurance Company, Detroit; Northwestern Life Association, Minneapolis.

Col. John W. Hinsdale, of Raleigh, who represents the companies' civil suits against the parties for $25,000, is conducting the prosecutions, assisted by ex-State Solicitor O. H. Allen, of Kinston. Attorney A. P. Massey, of Raleigh, is stenographically reporting the cases. The investigation before Magistrate Allen C. Davis, of Morehead City, will consume a week. There are over fifty witnesses.

Literary Note

A valuable paper in the August Arena that should set people to thinking is the Hon. Walter Clark's review of the progress and development of the Telegraph Traffic in Great Britain, since 1870, when all the telegraphs in the United Kingdom were acquired by the government from the corporations who had previously operated them. The telegraph system in England is an integral part of the post-office, as it is as much a part of commercial and social life to-day as the daily mail. Under the old system the districts paying best had ample service at high rates, as is the case in this country, while whole sections off the lines of railway were without telegraphic facilities. The government at once extended the telegraph to all sections, and reduced the rate to one cent a word. The result is this. In 1870, under private ownership, seven million individual messages, and twenty-two million words of press dispatches were annually sent. Now the number of individual messages sent is seventy million—(ten times as many) and over six hundred million words of press dispatches—(thirty times as many.) And the cost is less than one-third of what it was, the service quicker and prompter, and the government's postal service self-supporting. In America, the telegraph companies are earning heavy dividends on a watered stock of over $150,000,000 while the postal service is not self-sustaining and shows an annual deficit.

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LACK OF EASE IN CONVERSATION.

How to Remedy This Lack of Ease by Practice in The Home Circle.

There is one great reason for this lack of conversational power: in too many cases the art is never practiced inside the home circle, writes Louise Royle in the August Ladies' Home Journal. No attempt at pleasant converse is ever made save when visitors are present: the various members of the family may gossip a little, or discuss purely personal affairs, but they make no attempt at entertaining talk. In point of fact, the art of conversation is like a game of battledoor and shuttlecock, one needs the quickness and dexterity of constant practice. In many busy households the only general gathering of the family is at mealtime—a time above all others when worry should be banished, if only for the sake of physical comfort. Yet this is the very time when the mother will complain of domestic worry, the father of business cares, and the daughter of shabby frocks.

All this should be changed; it ought to be a rule in all households that disagreeables are to be banished at mealtime. If complaints must be made let them come at a proper time, but do not imperil your digestion by eating while you are in an irritated and discontented frame of mind. Pleasant talk relieved by an occasional laugh will be more beneficial than pounds of pills. In the household there should not only be an avoidance of unpleasant topics, but an attempt to find agreeable ones. Each member of the family should come to the table prepared to say something pleasant. Any bright little story or merry joke, or any bit of world's news that will loosen the tongues and cause animated talk—how it will increase the brightness of the working day. There need be no profound discussion—it should be just lively touch and go talk.

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James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other "preparations."

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The Winner.

A late archbishop of Dublin, noted for his originality and love of a joke was one day walking along a road, when he came across three tramps lying on a bank by the roadside.

They were thus addressed by his grace:

"I would be willing to give half a crown to the laziest of you, if I could tell which of you is the most entitled to it."

One of them immediately jumped up and said:

"Give it to me. I haven't done any work for six months."

The second came forward and claimed it saying he had not worked for a year.

While these two were disputing about the honor of being the laziest the third man, who had not even moved, sleepily said:

"Come here, gov'ner, and put it in my pocket."—Amusing Journal.

We know it is radical, and that many Populists will not agree with us; but we are as firmly convinced as we are that the sun will rise tomorrow, that the great and imperative popular demand before 1900 will be for a National Constitutional Convention. Every time that it looks as if the American people were on the point of catching the woodchuck, it takes refuge in some hole in the United States Constitution.—Equity.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Democrats Making a Big Mistake (?) by not Endorsing Cleveland, Carlisle and Company (?)

SOME OLD TIME MONEY

Showing What North Carolina did in ye Olden Times—Red Hot Shot From Pasquotank—People's Party Gaining-Wants to see the People Rule.

A Letter to Cousin William—In Which "The Dear Old Party" is Discussed.

For the Caucasian.]

LAKE CITY, S. C., July 23, 1895.

Dear Cousin William.—It taxes my patience to write two letters to your one. I remember that in my last letter I talked politics just a little, and not a word have I heard from you since. I trust I did not rip you up the back hard enough to cause you to visit me with the wrath of your displeasure. Some times I enjoy taking a fellow on the blind side, unawares. I believe I guyed you a little about the fact that you fellows having heard something drop in your State last fall about election times. Down in this State politics is more fashionable than red-bugs and we rather enjoy it. I learn that my kindred of your county, whom I love, and whose souls are knit together by long associations and longer lines of ancestors, of which we are proud, have come to the parting of the ways in politics. Now, whether this is good or bad this scribe saith naught, as the opinion of a reformer of South Carolina among old time, true blue, rock-ribbed Democrats of North Carolina is no good, as he is set down by them as one of those "past redemption" fellows who contends for free silver, abolition of National banks, more greenbacks, less favoritism, honest government, better times generally, and known as a *pizen, brazen faced, audacious, flannel-mouth, speckled-necked Populist.*

Now, old man, how does this strike your funny bone? The other day I read in a paper that you had eight different kinds of Democrats in North Carolina, and I think it would wreck the upper jawbone of Samson's ass to describe all the names they went under, or tell what they wanted. Now, brother, just let me spout another fact: Our Democratic brethren of the State of North Carolina are making a big mistake, as they should all endorse Mr. Cleveland, Carlisle & Co., and shout for the gold standard Rothchild & Co., and never, for a minute, cease 'rahing for the Democratic party, and also whistle and sing to keep up their courage and not feel lonesome as the pesky Populist is abroad in the land, and is calculated to give us trouble and cause us to lay awake nights. You know we must "stick to our dear old party" if we should have to surrender our principles. You know that principles don't amount to much with us now in these degenerate days that breed so many troublesome Pops. Great is Democracy, and under the folds of its banner we propose to eat pie or starve.

You know the good old Democratic party has given us a lot of things and done lots for us. It repealed the silver coinage law, which gave us $4,000,000 of silver per month. Now, you know, there are a lot of objections to silver as it will wear holes in a man's pocket, and pull his pants one-sided. Neither can he run a foot-race with his pockets full; it is altogether too bulky. Who would have silver any way? Now, it is so much better to have a nice little five dollar gold piece (if you can get it) to tote around, as it looks so much more respectable, and other people will admire you and not think of looking in your hair for hayseed. Our party, the dear old Democratic party, also gave us away in a small bond sale, which doesn't amount to much as it is only $162.000,000. I figured on the thing a little and found that my part for me and my kids to pay is only about $17.40.

Now, I know some very poor families, whose part of this legacy of glory and Democracy, is about $25.00, though this is not much, as a poor fellow can soon work it out at $6.00 per month. Free silver and good times must just come through our dear, old party. If it should happen to come through the Populist camp it won't be accepted at all, as it just wouldn't smell good.

L. L. CALDWELL.

Wants to See the People Rule.

For the Caucasian.]

APPLETON, GA., July 20, 1895 — I want to see the People's Party in power, and the government run in the interest of *plain, common* people where it originated, and the shylock, and goldbugs driven from the throne. I long to see Georgia fall in line with the Old North State— my native home—in all matters of reform. We broke the bonds of plutocracy in Columbus county, N. C., last fall. Since then I have come to this State.

W. Y. TYLER.

"Persecution 's the Ruin of Empires."

For the Caucasian.]

CONCORD, N. C., July 29, 1895.—Mr. Jacob Goodman, of Cabarrus, hands me two pieces of money that are very valuable from a historical point of view, if from no other.

One of these is a ten dollar bill, printed on thick paper, 2 x 4 inches. On one side is printed: "Ten Dollars Printed by J. Davis, 1778." On the other side is, "North Carolina Currency. Ten Dollars. No. 83595. State of North Carolina. This bill entitles the bearer to receive ten Spanish milled dollars, or the value thereof in gold, or gold or silver, agreeable to an Act of Assembly, ratified at Hillsborough, the eighth day of August, 1778."

In one corner is, "Persecution is the Ruin of Empires." It is signed by J. Coble and J. Winston. The signatures are very indistinct.

The other bill is about the same size. It has the picture of a peacock, or turkey gobbler on it. It reads:

"Carolina Currency, No. 2854. Ten Dollars. By authority of Congress, at Halifax, April 2, 1776." It is signed by G. Hill and three others; names which cannot be deciphered. One side of this bill is blank. The above proves conclusively that we believed in a double standard in the Seventies. This bill says it is payable in Spanish-milled dollars, or the value thereof in gold or silver.

Read this ye goldbugs, and learn the truth of North Carolina's lina's currency in history. We still believe that "Persecution is the ruin of Empires." Very truly,

G. ED. KESTLER.

Red Hot Shot from Pasquotank—People's Party Growing.

For the Caucasian.]

OKISKO, N. C., July 22, 1895.

I want to saythrough the columns of your valuable paper (I have always found it a truthful one) that it is "dog days" in this section with the various factions of so-called Democrats. They are having a regular cat and dog fight among themselves—goldbugs and silverites, Clevelandites and anti-Clevelandites, some of whom have neither gold nor brains. Others have a collar around their necks, and are led by demagogues and dirty politicians. I think if they can glue themselves by any sticking process it would be well for them to take a few lessons from the "Kentucky straddling committee" or they will completely annihilate themselves before 1896. They are the heaviest loaded set you ever heard of, though, like Ephraim of old, they are joined unto their idol-party. The country may go where Bray's cats went, so party prevails with them, They have in their mad career virtually closed their eyes politically and are followers of John Cleveland and Grover Sherman.

The ranks of the People's Party are swelling daily with recruits from both the two old parties, especially since the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in declaring the income tax unconstitutional, virtually saying that the capitalist and monied corporations go scott-free, and none but the poor farmer and laborer feed, clothe and support the country and its plutocrats.

Gentlemen of the CAUCASIAN, and the public generally: Notice is hereby given that I am in the middle of the road politically—*stand flat-footed on every plank in the Omaha platform.* I am not, neither have I ever been, a *banking Democrat*, but I am of the Jefferson-Jackson kind. Was born and raised this way. My wish has been gratified in that the Legislature elected Marion Butler to the United States Senate over Mat. Ransom. I feel that if Butler makes any mistake in representing North Carolina and her people, it will be an error of head and not of the heart. Your paper is a two-edged sword. Long may its trenchant blade wave for the people's rights. M. G. GREGORY.

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If Land Don't Make it, What Does?

Kentucky Industrialist.]

When a goldbug tells you "that law don't make money but it is the material that is in it," just ask him these questions:

If the "law don't make money," why do the goldbug bankers wait for favorable laws before they carry out their infernal schemes?

If the law don't make money," why do they spend millions of money to maintain a lobbying committee at Washington in order that they might lobby for laws favorable to a gold standard?

If "law don't make money," why did the bankers and grain gamblers (Board of Trade) come down from New York in palace cars and plead with the Stuffed Prophet to give the Bland Seignorage Bill a black eye?

If the "law don't make money" why does a goldbug merchant still take your 50 cent silver dollar to pay your "honest" 100 cent debt?

If the "law don't make money," why does a bank rob you, by giving you 50 cent silver dollars in exchange for a five dollar bank note?

If "law don't make money," why does your banker take out six dollars interest in advance on a $100 loan and give you nine ten dollar bills and four 50 cent silver dollars.

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Rock Ridge Academy and vicinity was an enthusingly interesting place on Friday, July 26th. For eight years this has been a point at which the good people of Wilson and surrounding counties have held annual gatherings and picnics, and thousands of people are annually present on these occasions. It is a periodical reunion of sterling farmers with their families and friends at which views are interchanged, acquaintances renewed and friendships cemented; and all this is happily facilitated by the presence of ladies who add that charm and delight, that can come only through them, to the general tenor of the assemblage.

The number of people at this last meeting was estimated at 2,500, and the earth by be searched in vain to find a more whole-souled, gentle, generous and hospitable folk. Sincerity and kindness seemed to exist in a kind of a halo around the groves in which the people were gathered, and no individual—no matter who he was nor from whence he came—was permitted to be a stranger for an instant.

This writer reached the groves of Rock Ridge by a drive of fifteen miles through the country from Elm city with State Senator J. T. B. Hoover. There is no necessity for a passport of any description to travel through Wilson pleasantly, but if there were no better one could be had than the presence of the Senator. He is in the full confidence of all his people regardless of class or political affiliation. He is a master of pleasant badinage and gives and takes it among his extensive acquaintance with a gusto and jollity that vivify the well springs of the heart, and that proclaim with penetrating eloquence that he is the friend of the people among whom he lives and that they are his friends.

The country drive disclosed many extensive fields of flourishing looking corn, tobacco, etc., while apparently for every mile huge, compact modern tobacco barns were in full blast, prepering the golden leaf for market. Tobacco culture is comparatively new in Wilson county. The first tobacco barn was built in 1890 and the first test of the adaptability of the soil for tobacco made. It was surprisingly successful, and now the planters of that section are raising crops of from five to one hundred acres. The light character of the hand produces the best grades of fine mahogany and yellow leaf—dark heavy grades being so uncommon as not to count for anything in the product. The furnace fires are now burning in the barns, and in a few more days the markets will be busy handling the Wilson leaf. But for the exactions of this industry at this time on the care and the attention of the planters, the attendance at the picnic would have been one thousand more.

Approaching Rock Ridge, vehicles of all kinds fell into the procession. They sprung out of by-roads—came up cross-roads—turned out from woodspaths, and came from every sort of opening which would let a vehicle through. The Academy groves were early filled with them, and then the inpouring people exempted another grove about a half a mile distant and soon filled that one. Many of those present had driven twenty-five miles to get there. The counties of Wayne, Nash, Johnston, Durham, Franklin, Wake and Wilson were represented in the assemblage.

Dr. H. F. Freeman was master of ceremonies for the day, and about eleven o'clock he mounted the stand and announced a programme. The people of Wilson county have learned that when Dr. Freeman gets ready to say something, he has something to say; and as soon as it was understood that he was on the stand there was a great movement and closing up in that direction. He announced, among other things, that Maj. W. A. Guthrie was present and would make the forenoon address. He referred to the major in such complimentary terms as to actually bring the blush of modesty into the face of that gentleman, who is the silver-tongued people's tribune of the day.

It is not the intention of the writer to attempt a synopsis of Maj. Guthrie's speech. It was nearly two hours in length and not a word of it was lost. This fact tells more plainly what it was than a description of many words. It was devoid of harshness. It was frank and open. Facts and arguments were dealt in, accompanied by practical illustrations of the money of the day and the way it is manipulated. The speaker had provided himself with the various kinds of coin and currency, and all facts stated concerning it were proven by the presence of the currency itself. It could be earnestly hoped that this identical speech might be made all over North Carolina. The writer heard one man say at four o'clock in the afternoon: "I could have listened to Guthrie till now and not lost interest."

At the close of Maj. Guthrie's speech Senator Hoover made a few remarks with reference to newspapers and the necessity of keeping informed through them; and then Dr. Freeman again caught the crowd by announcing that there was plenty of dinner on the grounds for everybody.

Gosh all Hemlock! What a spread!! Barbecued pig, lamb, roast chicken, ham, pickles, pies, puddings, cake, everything—all cooked by the good ladies who were present, and they dispensed with lavish hands while their kind, sweet faces beamed an inexpressible welcome. Oh! what a feast that was! What appetizing viands. Life was a joy—a glory—a grand, sweet song for the day.

Jokes? Well yes. Senator Hoover was hit hard. Some rascally good friend told about how he run corn rows. He wanted to get a straight row in a long field. He planted the coulter of his plow on one side of the field and then fixed his eye on a little cloud no bigger than a man's hand which was straight before him. He started the row and kept his eye on that cloud, and didn't know it had moved until he ran into the fence at the northeast corner of the field. He had started from a point near the southwest and cut a curve that would rouse a professional base-ball pitcher to agonies of envy. And thus the time passed—everybody smiling, talking and joking—the younger people of course joking (?) in pairs in their own peculiar style.

After dinner, Prof. Irby, of the A. and M. College was announced to make a talk on agriculture. This partook of the nature of a discussion in which questions were asked and answered. Many points of interest were thus introduced and discussed. Prof. Irby made some references to the practical value of the curriculum of the college and was on the stand for a long time, all which was interesting.

This closed the programme of the day, and then after an hour's mingling together, the many carriages and wagons began to unblock themselves and soon long processions of people were homeward bound with many pleasant recollections of a delightful and profitable day.

MEETINGS OF THE PEOPLE.

Reunion And Gatherings at Which the Living Issues of the Day Will be Talked About.

Pic-Nic in Guilford.

There will be a big Alliance gathering and pic-nic at Pine Grove School House, Guilford county, on Thursday, August 8th. The locality is eight miles from McLeansville, on the Southern railroad. D. A. Montgomery, of McLeansville, is secretary.

Speaking at Concord.

United States Senator Ben R. Tillman of South Carolina will speak on the issues of the day in Concord on Tuesday, August 13th. Let everybody come and hear this bold and brilliant champion of the masses. He will be here beyond a doubt All the adjoining counties will be represented by big crowds. Remember the 13th is Tillman's day.

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The resolution of the County Alliance requests that each sub-Alliance in Wake and adjoining Counties shall at once take up the matter and appoint a committee of three to look after contributions of suitable eatables, such as ham, fowls, pigs, lambs, beef, bread, cakes, pies, pickles melons, fruit, &c.

Let each sub-committee see every neighbor, brother and sister, and solicit contributions for said purpose. The tables will be so arranged as to dispense with cloths and all wares. What is wanted is provisions of a suitable kind. Bring nothing that you wish returned. Everybody invited. Come and bring a box of eatables.

Let each sub-committee arrange for one of their members to take charge of your contributions and aid in arranging the tables. Please report as early as possible what we may expect from your community.

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THE PICNIC.

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The Chairman of the various township committees met with the central committee in the court room last Saturday morning to make final arrangments for next Wednesday's free silver picnic. The first business was to decide on a place to hold the picnic. The grove at Mr. J. H. Pugh's was selected. This grove is a mile out of town, and is probably better known as the "Frank Pugh place." One person from each township was selected as a finance committee to raise funds to defray all necessary expenses, and are as follows:

South Clinton, J. R. Williams; North Clinton, W. F. Rackley; McDaniels, J. W. Wright; Lisbon, R. T. Moore; Franklin, L. A. J. Herring; Taylor's Bridge, V. J. McArthur; Turkey, L. D. Rogers; Piney Grove, Dan. Kornegay; Newton Grove, Isaac Williams; Westbrooks, B. G. E. Daughtrey; Halls, E. C. Gore; Honeycutts, Arch Royal; Mingo, Autry Baggett; Dismal, R. W. Howard; Little Coharie, H. J. Cooper; Herrings, Wiley Gilbert.

Thirty-two marshals—two from each township—were appointed for the occasion, and are as follows:

Capt. W. H. Thompson, Chief, and Capt. C. Partrick, Asst. Chief; South Clinton, Josiah Pope and A. D. Williamson; North Clinton, David Marshburn and J. E. Britt; Lisbon, J. P. Parker and C. H. Johnson; Franklin, L. R. Highsmith and Knox Taylor; Taylor's Bridge, Calhoun Johnson and J. M. Powell; Turkey, Jas. Kennedy and J. L. Hines; Piney Grove, W. E. Darden and G. A. Casey; Halls, J. A. Fort and J. G. Hobbs; Newton Grove, J. M. Britt and Theodore Williams; Westbrooks, P. G. A. Tart and Marshall Lee; Mingo, J. D. Williams and S. F. Jackson; Honeycutts, F. M. White and J. H. Honeycutt; Herrings, Reddin Honeycutt and W. R. Warren; Dismal, C. H. Williams and J. R. Brown; Little Coharie, W. J. Faircloth and J. W. Underwood; McDaniels, F. D. Parker and Thos. I. Owen.

The picnic grounds are being put in fix this week. The stand, tables and some seats are being made. The table—one quarter mile long—will doubtless be heavily loaded next Wednesday. Encouraging reports reach us from every section, and if we have good weather the picnic will be the biggest thing the county has ever had. It cannot be stated with certainty that either Tillman or Sibley will be here, but should they fail to come there will be no lack of good speaking as our State speakers will be on hand. A special train over the Clinton branch road has been asked for. If secured, this train will leave Warsaw about 9:30 a. m., and returning leave Clinton about 5:30 p. m.

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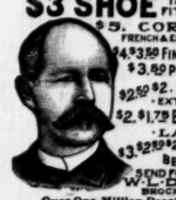
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Senator Morgan's Great Speech.

(Continued from 1st page.)

States is payable, in coin, I believe, indeed I know, that it is both honest, lawful and moral that the holder of such securities should be willing to accept that sort of coin,

WHETHER OF SILVER OR GOLD,

that is thus named and described in the terms of the contract; and, if he wishes to violate his agreement by refusing to comply with it, he should be compelled to accept it. If no special coin is named in the contract, it is payable in any full legal tender coin, at the option of the debtor.

I again state that the only real power that meney has under the law is the one power to pay a debt, and it is only through the legal tender laws that this power, in the compulsory form, is available.

A CRUELTY TO THE POOR.

When both these metals are thus distinctly declared by the constitution to be money metals that can alone be coined as legal tender money, and when this essential power of money in making compulsory the power to pay debts bears so directly upon those whose business in life, whose necessities, and even their misfortunes, shall sometimes force them to become debtors to the more fortunate, or the wiser, or the meaner people with whom they must have dealings,

IT IS AN INEXPRESSIBLE CRUELTY

to strike down one or both of these metals as a legal tender. The congress that does that evil and ruinous work, and the men in authority who demand and uphold it are guilty of perverting the character of our liberties, and the darkness of their guilt is all the more hideous because it falls as a shadow upon the poor and the helpless.

They may thrust their lofty heads above this cloud of distress that shadows every land, and the plumed crests of kings may signal their congratulations to each other and across the ocean to the

PRESIDENT OF OUR REPUBLIC;

they may claim that they are honorable men, who keep the faith of nations and pay honest debts in sound money, yet they mistake cupidity for honor, and they translate mere power as meaning justice. It is "might that makes all things right" with them. Their glory shines out like that of the Turkish flag at Shipka pass, that floated above a pyramid of the headless trunks of captives taken in open war, and slaughtered after they had surrendered. These wordy boasts of honor between nations are made in order to cover the guilt of a

MERCILESS SLAUGHTER OF INNOCENT PEOPLE.

They have made the debts of the people "just" by striking out, with lawless hand, the provisions in our bonds that they should be paid in gold or silver coins at the option of the government, and by compelling the taxed toilers of the country to pay only in gold the debt that, on its face, gave them the right to pay in gold or silver coin. They made the debt "honest" by doubling the burden of its obligation, and thereby doubling the taxation that alone could pay it, and they brand the people as being dishonorable repudiators who even dare to groan under the oppressive burden. This is a purely British policy. It is a British standard of good faith. It has no place in any American code of morals. It is sheer robbery.

WHAT IS WANTING?

The resources of America in forests, fields and mines are great enough to give us the mastery of the world in production, commerce and in money coined from our own precious metals. What, then, is wanting? It is the men with the old spirit of American independence of 1776 that are wanting with the courage to declare that justice is the true standard of honor, and that sound money, is the gold and silver coin that is named in the constitution as legal tender and is expressly stated in all our national obligations, except gold and silver certificates, to be the sort of money in which they are payable.

The spirit of loyalty to America and of faithful regard for our constitution, inspired all our laws of coinage, legal tender and finance, from the foundation of our government until 1873 Then it failed for two reasons. One reason was the

GRASPING GREED OF GREAT BRITAIN

and her allied stock and bond holders in our midst, the other reason was that our people had sunk their spirit of national independence Some of them, through the distress and humiliation of sudden poverty, as the result of the civil war, and others, who had a great majority in congress at their backs, had lost sight of the star of liberty in the glamor and pride of sudden wealth. But the spirit of indepence was lost to those who gained money, while others lost their lives in battle.

In the enactment of new laws for the radically new situation, including the Revised Statutes of 5601 sections, a new coinage law was enacted on the 12th of February, 1873. It was spread through 95 sections of the Revised Statutes, which were adopted,

WITHOUT BEING READ IN EITHER HOUSE

on the 20th of June, 1874, to date from the 1st day of December, 1873. In the enactment of this vast body of law, which repealed all laws of a general character that preceded it, there is a serious challenge made by the most active and eminent men in congress and by President Grant, who signed the bill, that the blow which destroyed legal tender silver money was a stealthy stab, delivered in the confusion that attended this great revolution in all the general laws of the republic.

When the tables of our new law were laid before the people and they had time to feel and realize the destruction that had been wrought it was found that our Aaron—the high priest of finance—had not only set up the golden calf and an altar for its worship, but he had so interpolated the law itself as to make this wickedness legitimate.

THE GOLDEN CALF AND JOHN BULL.

The Israelites were only five months out of Egypt when a like treason to God was perpetrated by that annointed high priest. Moses was hid from view in the mountain and they thought he was dead. In that extremity they fashioned the new god which they set up, in the similitude of a calf. This was done because they longed for their servitude to Pharaoh and for the flesh pots of Egypt. They had not been weaned. They had not gained the highest power of a true manhood—the spirit of independence, in the love and fear of the God of justice.

The Egyptians worshiped Apis, the sacred bull, as their god, and these alarmed Israelites, finding that the ear-rings and breastpins of their women would not afford gold enough to mould a full grown sacred bull, did the best they could, and their god was no larger than a calf. But it typefied their lingering love of Eypt and their

SLAVERY THERE TO A GOLDEN GOD,

and that worship expressed their servile dependence. Frequently in later times when Israel and Judah were divided into warring factions these golden calves were cast and were set up on the boundaries of their kingdoms to prevent the people from going to Jerusalem to worship in the temple of the most high God. It was hard to wean the people from the love of Apis, the sacred Egyptian bull, as it is now very hard to wean some people from the worship of our rich and despotic cousin, "John Bull."

Our Aaron, the high priest of finance, erected a full grown golden bull in honor of our cousin, John Bull, and, after giving him financial dominion of America, he set up his image in the treasury at a cost of $ 00,000,000, and he sanctified it. At another period of our remarks I will attempt to show what has been the cost of our sacrifices to this god of gold. Those who have not felt; or did not wish to realize our independence of Great Britain, in every national sense and sentiment, found it most agreeable to their wishes and most profitable to their personal interests to take the British statute of 1816, which demonetized silver by destroying its legal tender power, and to

SMUGGLE IT INTO OUR CODE OF LAWS,

in the confusion that attended our period of reconstruction and the revision of our statutes at large. They had their success, and now we are battling for the restoration of silver to its rightful place under the constitution.

OUR SECURITIES HELD ABROAD.

It is plain truth, but it is hidden from the eye of the public by many devices which no effort could obviate that.

1. We have few national bonds in Europe.

2. We have no treasury notes or national bank notes, nor Sherman certificates that either circulate as money in Europe, or that are held there as investments. We do not, therefore, need gold to pay our national obligations to European holders.

3. The stock and bonds of railroads, gas companies, waterworks, bridges, mines, manufactories, telegraphs, telephones, street car lines, steamers, manufactories of every sort and size, land companies, loan companies, banks and insurance companies, are held in vast sums in Europe. Their holdings of stocks and bonds issued by our corporations are greatly in excess of those we hold in the United States.

Interest and dividends are to be paid on all these holdings, and they are required to be paid in gold and it is to be shipped to Europe. Now it is true, as to a very large number of these holdings of stocks and bonds, that they are really investments. The holders of them are really stockholders in these various and very numerous corporations. What then is the simple and final analysis of this situation? It is that the honor of the United States binds us, in some awful way, to pay the interest and dividends in these stocks and bonds in gold, to those members of our corporations, because they live in Europe. The dividends due our own people are paid

IN LEGAL TENDER MONEY.

In the meantime, the secretary of the treasury, unmindful of the wickedness of coining silver into "unsound money," coins more than $33,000,000 of this "fiat money" to pay off government servants and creditors, because they live in the United States, where a silver dollar will purchase as much and pay

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HAS KEPT UP THE GAMBLING

in our money.

It was never needed to give strength to the credit of the United States. A country that has paid, in debts and interest, more than $3.-000,000,000 in thirty years, could not need the support of $100,000,000 deposited in the treasury to suport its credit. The only effect of such a deposit was to assure men who owed money in Europe that they could always draw the gold from the treasury to meet their convenience, and to invite dealers in coin to cheapen our paper money so that they could profit by using it in drawing gold from the treasury when its price increased.

A CRAVEN SPIRIT.

When we with a craven spirit of subordination to British demands, abolished silver as a legal tender coin in 1873, the commercial ratio between the metals dropped from 15.63, in 1872, to 16.17 in 1874, and it went down until, in 1893, it was 26.49 to 1.

Great Britian had pounded and hammered and trampled upon silver since 1816, without success, but, when she enlisted our aid in this cruel destruction of values in 1873

SHE WON HER BATTLE

and finally established her dominion over all markets and all finance.

In 1816 the commercial ratio was 15.28 to 1, and it never went lower than 15.95 to 1 from that year until the year of our national shame—the dark year of 1873—when it went down to 16.17 to 1, because we joined Great Britain in her war upon silver money.

If Great Britain, during more than fifty years of determined effort, could not increase the ratio between metals beyond 15.95 to 1, and that only for a single year, until we made an alliance with her in 1873, when our silver was at 2 per cent premium over gold,

WHY DO WE FEAR

again to take up this cause of the toiling world, of nature and of God, and restore to all nations the free use of silver as a money metal? It was our sin that afflicted the world—why should we not repent of it and turn from the evil of our way? What Great Britain could not then do, without our help in destroying silver she cannot prevent from being undone by its restoration. God help us to this just and honorable work, for the sake of our fathers who first ordained it, and of all prosperity!

THE BANKER'S PRAYER.

In this great liberty at least the toiler, when he has his rights, is on a parity with the banker, or possibly a little above par.

It is to destroy the miners' control over the production of money for the people that the banker and his feudatories, the bullion dealers, the bond and stock speculators and politicians insist that mining for coin material shall be confined to one single money metal. They oppose all production they cannot monopolize. They pray God for daily bread, but they implore Him not to give too much—more than they can handle and sell for profit. They in turn endeavor to alarm the world with the cry of overproduction, which offends against God's mercy and always seeks to starve the poor and to make the needy go naked, by stopping all productions. But the Ruler of the Universe has, in advance, stifled this false and wicked clamor, as to the precious metals, by surrounding them with such labors and difficulties as to render overproduction impossible. The cupidity of man strives to increase, while all his labors fail to increase the actual and relative productions of the precious metals.

WHAT FRANCE DOES.

France has purchased enough silver to furnish her people $12.21 per capita of silver, while the United States has sold her silver until it has left to her people only $9.06 per capita of silver. While doing this, France has accummulated for her people $14.18 in gold, and we have retained to our people $9 per capita in gold. On this basis, France provides paper money for her people to the amount of $2.31 per capita, and we provide our people with $6.90. France has a per capita circulation of $36.70, of which $24 30 is coin and $2.31 is paper, while we have a per capita of $25.07, of which $18.17 is coin (half of it silver) and $6 90 is paper.

In France, gold and silver fortify each other, while we refuse the assistance of silver. And France grows rich on her small productions, while we grow poor, when supplying a vast surplus of our food and raiment to other countries.

Great Britain mines her own gold and buys silver She owns largely more than half the gold mines in the world.

As Others See Us.

Here is what the London (England) Daily Telegraph thinks of American Congressmen.

"The United States Congress costs $3,477,833; the British Parliament $468,640 per year; the New York Legislature alone costs nearly as much as our Parliament. But don't misunderstand me; the direct cost in money of the American Congress and the New York Legislature as stated in my figures is not half the real cost. It represents but the visible and tangible expense, it does not represent the far larger sum, which is invisible and sheer—'boodle.' Ah, 'boodle'; that means plunder. At Washington the passing of private bills is contracted for by bill-brokers on the basis of—so much money down and the necessary number of votes shall be secured. The official $5,000 per year of the paid member is but a part of its gain; private bill jobs are done in a business-like way, per estimate, and the business is as little blushed over as extensive transactions on the London Stock Exchange. It is just the same with the holders of public offices. The official salaries do not represent the gains. This, also, is notorious and provable. Every office-holder is expected to pay yearly to the party managers a tax levied for party purposes. One innocent, who had remitted his quota and had limited his percentage to his official income, promptly received from headquarters an indignant remonstrance. He was told that the value of his office was not to be estimated in that way; the party bosses were birds too old to be caught with chaff."

Increase of Suicides.

Washington Post.]

One of the apparently inexplicable phenomena of this eventful year, as well as several preceding years, is a very large increase in suicides. The Chicago Tribune makes a specialty of social statistics, collecting and collating them with great care and giving them publicity with a promptness unknown to official statisticians. The Tribune states that 2,756 suicides were reported in the United States from January 1 to June 28. If this ratio is maintained during the remaining half of the year there will have been 5,512 suicides during 1895. This would be 600 more than occurred in 1894, when the number was 4,912. But even this increase is not greater than the average for some years past.

It is suggested that some of the increase may be due to fuller reports, consequent on improved facilities for collecting and transmitting news to the press, but, making all due allowance for that, the number is too large to be attributed to any known cause. In 1893 the prevalence of suicides was attributed to the great industrial panic, but that explanation will scarcely hold good in the face of the fact that, in this year of revived business and restored prosperity, the increase, if the present rate continues, will be 1,100 greater than in that year of calamity.

Of all countries ours is the one whose people should be most cheerful and least inclined to get out of the world. No other country is so rich in opportunities; no other has so many inspirations of hope. And yet, as we have seen, 2,756 persons, including even children, have taken their own lives since the year began. The list includes members of various churches and persons in possession of wealth, and, to all appearances, happily situated. It presents a subject that ought to be profoundly interesting to social scientists.

A Financial Wrecker.

The Manufacturer, the organ of the Manufacturers' Club, of Philadelphia summarizes the situation very clearly in the following:

The indications now are that the government of the United States will soon need reinforcement of its revenues which cannot be obtained from lawful sources without new legislation. The further plain indications are that Mr. Cleveland will not, for this purpose, summon congress in extra session, but will proceed to impose additional debt upon the nation. He has no better right to borrow money for current expenses than he has to declare war against Great Britain. Either proceeding is wholly without warrant in law. He does possess somewhat questionable authority to issue bonds for the purpose of obtaining gold with which to redeem greenbacks; but, as under cover of this authority he has twice borrowed money to meet ordinary obligations, he will probably not hesitate to do so again. A more dangerous usurpation of the functions of congress can hardly be imagined, and, if the republicans in congress should do their duty they would impeach him for so grave a trespass upon the jurisdiction of the national legislature. He will take care, of coarse, that he has the old pretext. Gold has already begun to go abroad. Soon it will begin to leave the treasury. The newspapers which are the instruments of the gold ring will commence again the work of disturbing the public mind. Then the boards of trade and chambers of commerce will be invited to back the proposed bond issues with resolutions, and then the foreigners who are holding up the treasury will take further heavy toll of the American people. The patience with which the nation regards the imbecility that cuts off the revenues and the lawlessness that supplies the deficiency with unauthorized loans is simply astonishing. If the stupidest and most reckless statesmanship could do worse than this its method of procedure can hardly be imagined.

Richard Razor

Who runs the kicking department of the People's Paper at Charlotte, lights his pipe and gets off the following remarks in the last issue of his paper:

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"We will bet our old ink stand against the biggest melon that is left in our den for safe keeping this summer, that two thirds of the howling leaning free silver Democrats of this city will vote the Republican ticket at the next election."

A Prophecy.

More than fifty years ago Thos. Carlyle of England wrote: "The Republic west of us will have its trial period, its darkest of all hours. It is traveling the high road to that direful day. And this scourge will not come amid famine's horrid stride, nor will it come by ordinary punitive judgments. It will come as a hiatus in statecraft, a murderous bungle in policy. It will be when health is intact, crops abundant, and the munificent hand open. Then so-called statesmen will cry 'overproduction,' the people will go to the ballot amid hunger and destitution but surrounded by the glitter of self rule, and ratify by their ballots the monstrous falsehood, overproduction, uttered by mis statesmen, and vindicate by the same ballot the infamous lie, overproduction, thrown upon the breeze by servile editors through a corrupt press. And this brings ruin upon his country, serfdom upon himself, and oppression upon his children."—Ventura People's Advocate.

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